

LETTER TO PROTECT DOWNED ANIMALS

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Rockville, MD 20785

Re: Docket No. 98P-0151/CP1

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing to request that you help end the horrific downed animal trade. Since downed animals comprise such a small percentage of animals slaughtered, and prohibiting their marketing will cause no undue economic hardship, I implore you to help us eradicate their horrendous and unnecessary pain and suffering.

It is impossible to move downed animals humanely. They are pushed and shoved with tractors or dragged with chains. These inhumane processes cause injuries ranging from bruises and abrasions, to broken bones and torn ligaments.

It is about time this legislation gets passed. It has come up year after year, only to be defeated for one reason or another. Isn't it about time we treated animals, whether they be food animals or pets with a bit of respect and kindness?

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



Rachel Thompson

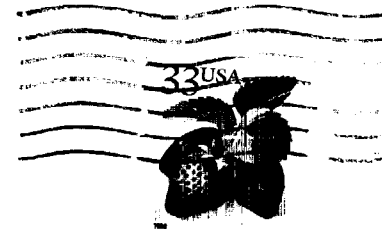
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